

The President, M. P. Wilder, of Boston : I had fruit sent to me twice last year from the original vines, and I was surprised at its beauty. You may recollect that in my address I alluded to it in connection with the wonderful effect of hybridization, whether by the hand of man, by insects, or by the air. I say that the Pocklington may be the beginning of a race of grapes equal in beauty and perhaps in excellence to the Cannon Hall Muscat. I think it is a most promising variety, and although I would like to ameliorate the flavor of the Pocklington a little, still it is a wonder in its way.

REPORT ON FRUITS.

Henry Paffard, Esq., Niagara, writes : " I have not fruited the Burnet Grape yet, but expect to do so next season. Until last year I did not find it a free grower, when it made rapid progress. It is too soon to say anything about the Diadem Raspberry, sent out last year. That welcome visitor, the HORTICULTURIST, is received regularly, and will assist in keeping alive an interest in horticultural matters, a work that your valuable Association is doing so much to promote."

THE GREENFIELD PLUM.

The following description of this plum is from Mr. A. Gilchrist, Guelph :

" The plum came to hand in good order, and was much larger than I expected, quite the size of a well-grown Lombard, as far as I could judge. Fruit medium ; color yellow, nearly covered with light crimson ; suture shallow, roundish oval ; stalk about one inch long, slender, in a narrow cavity ; flesh yellow, coarse grained, juicy, being more acid under the skin. Cannot judge of the quality, as it was not in condition ; parts freely from the stone. I have no doubt it will prove valuable in the North-west."

This plum, it is claimed originated with Mr. Greenfield, of Ottawa, Ont. The tree has the style of growth and foliage of the Chickasaw plum. Your Editor has never seen the fruit. Mr. P. E. Bucke says that the tree is perfectly hardy at Ottawa.

REPORT ON PLANTS RECEIVED.

William Gray, Woodstock, Ont., writes : The Downing Gooseberry is a great success, free from mildew. The raspberry and strawberry plants received two years ago were a failure. My Flemish Beauty Pear is fine ; the tree fruited last year, doing well ; also the Clapp's Favorite Pear, which has fruited the last two years. The first year I allowed the fruit to ripen on the tree, which proved to be almost useless—rotted at the core, taste insipid. This season I picked the fruit as soon as it parted freely from the branch, and kept it for about one week in the house. A better